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Dear William Hubbard

Dockets Mgmt Branch

I am very upset about
About the plan the FDA
has to weaken or do away
with requiring Irradiating
Foods without any labeling.
Any food or food ingredients
that have been treated
by IRRADIATION.

Irradiation of foods should
clearly be labeled with a
written statement on the
main display panel, indic-
ating such treatment.

The statement should be easy
to read and placed in close
by to the name of the food
and accompanied by the
RADURA, The International
Symbol of IRRADIATED
Foods.

If the food is not packaged
this info. should be clear-
ly displayed on a poster in
plain sight, close to where the
product is displayed for
Sale,

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Like other labels required by Federal Law, Irradiation Labels must be truthful and not misleading.

Proposed phrases like "COLD pasteurization" is a completely different process INVOLVING Rapid heating and Cooling

The language "Treated with Radiation" OR treated by Radiation should be used because they accurately portray the irradiation process.

The RADURA Symbol without written disclosure is not acceptable.

Consumers have a Right to know how their food has been processed.

Please make sure that Labeling Requirements are, STRENGTHENED Not WEAKENED!

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